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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 24 March 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Resumed fifty-second session
(First part)

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: ninth progress report of the Secretary-General on the Integrated Management Information System (A/52/711, A/52/755 and A/52/828))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 143 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/432, A/51/801, A/52/426 and A/52/530 and Corr.1)), 118 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/51/34, A/52/34, A/51/559 and Corr.1, A/52/206 and A/52/267)), 142 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations), 113 (Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/52/727, A/52/753 and A/52/755)) and on the review of the working methods of the Fifth Committee (General Assembly resolution 52/220, part III, para.93 (A/C.5/49/CRP.4/Rev.1))

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 25 March 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Resumed fifty-second session
(First part)

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 23 March 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Resumed fifty-second session

81st plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/52/785/Add.1) [120]

The General Assembly took note that Azerbaijan, Costa Rica, the Gambia, Qatar, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Turkmenistan had made the necessary payments to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-second regular session of the General Assembly and organization of work: request for the reopening of the consideration of agenda item 17 (e) (Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal) submitted by the Secretary-General (A/52/105/Add.1) [8]

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, decided to reopen the consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 17, entitled "Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal", and to allocate this sub-item to the Fifth Committee.

Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the President (A/52/111) [17(j)]

The General Assembly appointed Mr. Armando Duque González (Colombia) as a member of the Joint Inspection Unit for a five-year term of office beginning on 1 January 1999 and expiring on 31 December 2003.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (j) of agenda item 17.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 55th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Ninth progress report of the Secretary-General on the Integrated Management Information System

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the report of that Committee (A/52/828).

The Under-Secretary-General for Management introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/52/711).

The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services also made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus and Norway), Saudi Arabia, Cuba, Japan, Bangladesh, the United States, Algeria, China, Canada, Uganda and India.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management, the Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services and the Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be conducted by Mr. Carlos Dante Riva (Argentina).

Tenth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the United Nations International Partnership Trust Fund

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the report of that Committee (A/52/7/Add.9).

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union), the Syrian Arab Republic, Uganda, India, Cuba, Malaysia and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee for Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Under-Secretary-General for Management responded to questions posed.

Other matters

The Coordinator of informal consultations on agenda item 119 (Pattern of conferences) made a statement.

The Chairman of the Committee also made a statement on agenda items 118 (Joint Inspection Unit) and 143 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services).

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement.

Organization of work

The representative of Uganda made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

56th meeting

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [114]

Human resources management [153]

United Nations reform: measures and proposals [157]

The Committee resumed its consideration of these agenda items.

Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed United Nations Code of Conduct (A/52/488)

Statements were made by the representatives of Bangladesh, Japan, Malaysia, China, Cuba, the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, Australia and the United States.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management and the Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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